REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	11 July 2001
Name of applicant/court:	Comptroller of Customs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Voice Of Submission II: Gehenna Number 1
Other Known Titles:	Voice Of Submission 2: Gehenna #1 Voice Of Submission II Gehenna #1
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Eros Comix
Author:	Not Stated
Format:	Comic
Country of Origin:	USA
Language:	English

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature:	Running time:
Trailers:	Running time:
	Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The comic entitled *Voice Of Submission II: Gehenna Number 1* is classified as: Objectionable.

The 28 page comic (including the covers) is an English language adaptation of Japanese explicitly sexual "manga". The comic has one main item that explicitly depicts sexual activity for reader titillation. The classification is due to the comic's treatment of matters of sex. The comic supports the use of violence to compel females to submit to sexual conduct.

Consideration has been given to the relevant provisions of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 as they relate to this publication. Given the sexual purpose of the material and the manner in which the comic presents sexual violence, the publication is deemed objectionable. The resultant limit on freedom of expression is prescribed by law.

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